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Transportation And Power Are Two Greatest Needs of Arizona

Col. John C. Greenway of the Calumet & Arizona and New Cornelia mining companies, was a visitor in Douglas for a short time this week. Col. Greenway never tires of discussing the opportunities now in sight for the greater progress of Arizona and he is devoting considerable of his time to two constructive propositions which he thinks would provide great accomplishments in the development of the great areas of fertile land now lying dormant because of the lack of water for its irrigation. Col. Greenway thinks that the development of agriculture in Arizona could be accomplished more by the construction of a power dam on the Colorado river than by undertaking to build dams on the lesser streams of the state. Hydroelectric power can be provided by the waters of the Colorado at costs which would enable the rich lands in the semi-arid valleys of the state to be cultivated by pumping the underground waters to the surface, in the opinion of Col. Greenway. With this accomplishment then would come the question of marketing the agricultural products of the state outside of Arizona and in the markets of the world. Here would come the necessity for cheaper transportation. Under present costs of production and transportation the products of Arizona cannot be shipped away from the state with profit sufficient to justify their production.

For the past two years Col. Greenway and some of his associates have been planning the great railroad from Ajo and a great deal of preliminary investigation and testing work has been done. He says that three million dollars would build this road from Ajo to Stony Point and this sum he regards as quite insignificant when measured by the great benefits it would bring to the industries of Arizona. He and Dr. L. D. Ricketts, with Engineer Girard, have been doing the pioneer work on a power dam on the Colorado river at Peach Springs between the Boulder and Glen Canyon dam sites. This proposition would be solely one of providing power and it in no way would interfere with the flood protection and irrigation plans that are being considered by the government and the Colorado commission.

Application has been made to the government for a permit to build the power dam at Peach Springs and favorable action on the application is expected during the next few weeks, perhaps within a week. With this proposition approved by the government it will then be ready to present to the big moneyed interests of the country as an inviting investment in a great construction development as an opportunity for the state itself to undertake to provide cheap power for extending, yes, doubling its cultivated area by the construction of a dam which would provide cheap electric power for turning every industrial wheel and operating every feasible irrigation pump in the state.

Whether the Peach Springs dam is built by the state or by private capital would make little difference as either way its service would be under state control. Col. Greenway pointed out that state bonds would be exempt from taxes which private capital would have to pay and which would make a difference of perhaps one per cent in interest rate, but on the other hand there might be a loss in efficiency of state operation to overcome this advantage. If the state could build the dam or guarantee bonds for its construction leaving the operation of the enterprise to the power consumers, that would be a good plan and one similar to that under which the government built the Roosevelt dam. With the operation of the power dam and the distribution of its product under the control of the consumers that would be a pretty good guarantee of efficient management. Col. Greenway believes.

While Col. Greenway has been somewhat in the limelight recently as a possible candidate for governor on the Democratic ticket, it can be said that he is just now devoting his energies to other things of more importance to the state. He has made it known that he would not refuse to allow his name to be used in connection with the governorship of Arizona should he become convinced that there was a real public desire in the state for him to do so.

BACK FROM ALBUQUERQUE—

J. W. Hopson, vice president of The First National Bank, is back from Albuquerque where he went together with Cashier Thos. of the Bank of Tucson, to arrange for loans to cattlemen in this district from the War Finance Corporation. While in Albuquerque Mr. Hopson had an interview with Eugene Meyer, President of the War Finance Corporation, who is on a tour of the west getting first hand information of the needs of the agricultural and livestock growers.

Grist Gathered at the Court House

The trial jury venire which was excused on last week after several cases were disposed of will be called in again for duty on Monday the 3rd day of April, at 9:30 o'clock A. M. The following cases will be taken up: Henry Carr, vs. Oscar Rainville, et ux., an action for debt. Tomas Gutierrez, vs. The Arizona Copper Company, Ltd., an action for damages. Ross McGuire, an infant, vs. The Arizona and New Mexico Railway Company, et al. an action for damages.

The case of R. S. Black and N. C. Slogal, vs. The Insto Manufacturing Company, and the Bank of Duncan was tried before Judge Laine this week. The case was taken under advisement and judgment will be rendered next week. The action arises out of a contract entered into between the plaintiffs and defendant Insto Manufacturing Co. herein. Plaintiffs placed the sum of \$1000.00 in escrow with the Bank of Duncan pending the approval of the contract between the parties. The plaintiffs claim that the contract never was approved and that a satisfactory construction thereof was never ratified by the Insto Manufacturing Co.

Bicente Tapia a youth of sixteen years was haled before the juvenile court this week on the charge of Grand Larceny. The defendant was charged with stealing and butchering a cow about 3 miles west of Morenci. Deputy Fletcher who has been receiving complaints recently from cattlemen in the vicinity of Morenci that cattle were being butchered took up the case and in several days caught young Bicente in the act. The young man admitted to Judge Laine that he had killed the animal and stated that he had done so at the instance of his aunt who resides at Morenci. Bicente was committed to the Reform School at Fort Grant.

The case of John Gagliardi, vs. Rosendo Munoz, an action to foreclose a mortgage, was set for trial on Thursday the 6th day of April.

An action entitled, The State of Arizona, ex rel W. J. Galbraith Attorney General, vs. The State Bank of Metcalf, and others was filed in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court on Wednesday afternoon in which the plaintiff asked for the appointment of a receiver for the defendant Bank. The matter was taken up immediately before the court and Adam Smith was appointed the Receiver. A bond of ten thousand dollars is required of the receiver and he will manage the affairs of the Bank as soon as he takes the oath of office and makes bond.

RECORDED INSTRUMENTS—

Bills of Sale—
James J. Jones et. ux. to Jennie Ethelinda Spencer.
Pickens Anderson to S. A. Morales.
Chattel Mortgages—
S. A. Morales to First National Bank.
J. L. McMurphy to State Bank of Morenci.
Caesar Christian to State Bank of Morenci.
United States Army Discharge—
U. S. A. to Bert Jasper Coffey.
Satisfaction of Mortgage—
R. D. Sessom to Ruth S. Williams.
Assignment of Mortgage—
A. H. Cooper to E. A. Taylor.
Location Notice—
"Silver King", by Stargo Mines Inc.
Warranty Deed—
G. L. Crawford et. ux. to J. S. Nelson.
Appointment of Deputy Sheriff—
John B. Bradberry to J. C. Nave, Certe O. Douglas, William Bradberry, W. P. Spann, T. M. Titterton, H. V. Combs, Thos. Moon, and James A. Harris.

The members of the Friday afternoon Bridge Club were entertained at the home of Mrs. H. C. Vinton of Hill's Addition on last Friday afternoon. An atmosphere of Spring predominated, the rooms being beautifully decorated with blooms of varied spring flowers. At the conclusion of play Mrs. A. L. Terry was awarded a prize for high score after which all enjoyed the delicious luncheon served by the hostess.

County School Superintendent, Mrs. Jessie Lloyd Johnson, spent the early part of this week visiting the Duncan valley schools which include, Duncan, Franklin, York, Sheldon, Day, and Toledo Districts.

Judge of the Superior Court Frank B. Laine, left for Safford this morning to preside over the Superior Court of Graham County. George Fralick who was convicted of murder in the first degree by a jury on last week and whose penalty was fixed at death will receive his sentence at the hands of Judge Laine this afternoon. On Saturday Judge Laine will preside over the Superior Court at Globe.

SEARCH WARRANTS ISSUED—

Search warrants were issued out of the Justice Court in Clifton this week on complaint of Forest Ranger Douglas for the recovery of several sacks of oats, the property of the U. S. Forestry service, which were stolen from the ranger station on the Apache forest north of Clifton. Up to the time of going to press no arrests had been made.

Second Great Pioneers' Reunion Is Planned For Phoenix, April 11-12

Announcement that preparations for the second great Pioneers' Reunion to be held at Phoenix under the direction and auspices of The Arizona Republican of that city on April 11 and 12 have been practically completed and that a program as comprehensive as that of a year ago has been arranged, has been made by those in charge of the affair.

The Reunion of a year ago was perhaps the largest gathering ever made in the West of those to whom the West is most indebted, and it has been said freely since that convention that no state ever carried out such a comprehensive and interesting plan for the perpetuation of early history as was done in Phoenix last April. News of the Reunion and of its features was carried over the entire United States, and even to foreign countries, so that the event had a definite value not only for the pioneers of the state but for the commonwealth as a whole.

The program this year is to be just as comprehensive and enjoyable. There will be the registration of the pioneers again; a great picnic and barbecue at Riverside Park, with which is to be combined a get-together and acquaintance meeting; an afternoon of story-telling and reminiscences; and an old-fashioned dance; the publication of personal accounts of the early days written by the pioneers themselves; visits to the Phoenix theaters; a motor ride to points of interest in the valley and all else that made the reunion of 1921 the enjoyable and entertaining affair which it turned out to be.

A feature of last year's Reunion was the care with which each detail of the celebration was conceived and executed. This year the same care may be used. In conjunction with the Reunion there will be held a meeting on the afternoon of the 12th, of the Arizona Pioneers' Association of which John P. Orme is president. The registration of the pioneers of whom have since devoted themselves actively to the work of the association. Mr. Orme and Mr. Pickens will be in Phoenix to meet the pioneers at 17 North First Avenue, Phoenix, Arizona should information concerning the Association be desired.

Masked Men Whip Teacher and Apply Lash To Negro Near State Capitol; 12 Under Arrest

Janitor of Bank Is Whipped and
Marked on Breast With "K"

PHOENIX, March 23.—"Report to the police, the sheriff's office and the newspapers and let them know that the Ku Klux Klan has been active." Such was the parting message last night delivered by six unknown men to Aubrey Carter, negro, who for the past seven years has been in charge of the janitorial work in the Phoenix National Bank building, after they had administered stigmatizing lashes and marks of "K. K. K." on the body of their victim.

Long before Carter staggered nearly exhausted, into the sheriff's office about 11 o'clock last night, his wife had reported his disappearance under mysterious circumstances about 7:30 o'clock. It was at this time a man, representing that he was from the sheriff's office, called at the Carter home at 714 West Grant street and demanded that Carter accompany him.

From this point Carter tells his story: "I asked to get my hat and coat, but was told to come along without them," he said. "There were two cars waiting, and both carried fair loads of men. That aroused my suspicions. But as soon as I got into the first car, a Chalmers, a man poked a gun into my ribs and another threw a coat over my head. I only know that we went west past the state capital."

Carter said that the car was brought to a halt in a desert after running about an hour.

"They ordered me out of the car then tied my hands and lashed me to the framework. They flogged me and painted me."

To substantiate his statement Carter showed three crimson K's which had been painted upon his breast. He also exhibited to members of the sheriff's office the deep marks which had been left by lashes.

The only reason assigned for the outrage, according to Carter, "was" that while operating an elevator in the Phoenix National bank building he had stopped the carrier between floors and "sized up" a woman passenger.

Carter is prominent in church and lodge circles, has been in Phoenix for the past 15 years and is held in esteem by his present employers.

"The charge made against me is ridiculous," Carter told members of the sheriff's office. "My wife is the only woman that interests me."

This is the third mob attack in which the letters K. K. K. have played a prominent part in this district during the past two months.

APPOINTED RECEIVER—
Attorney General W. J. Galbraith, was here this week on official business in connection with the voluntary bankruptcy proceedings of the State Bank of Metcalf. Judge Laine this week appointed Adam Smith, of Clifton, to be Receiver for the bank.



JOHN P. ORME
President of the Arizona Pioneers
Association

ing the Association be desired.

To attend the Reunion as a real pioneer and to participate in all the features of the event, it is necessary that the intended visitor, man or woman, should have been a resident of the state for 35 years or more, this requirement has been set as marking definite pioneerism in Arizona.

It is not necessary to belong to the association to attend the reunion if one has been here for the 35 years. The registration of the pioneers will be on their arrival in Phoenix will be made at the offices of The Republican, Central Avenue between Adams and Monroe streets, where all information, tickets and other necessities will be given them.

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School Principal Charges That 12
Men Flogged Him and Branded Him

MESA, March 23.—Nine men were arraigned in the justice of the peace court of the Mesa district yesterday afternoon on charges of aggravated assault upon Rollin P. Jones, and three others will be arraigned on similar charges in the same court this afternoon. All the defendants are residents of Lehi, where Mr. Jones is principal of the district school.

The charges, filed by the county attorney upon complaint of Mr. Jones, resulted from a mob attack made upon the school principal Monday night when he was lured from his home taken to a secluded spot, lashed with a leather quirt and marked with the letters "K. K. K." one initial appearing on the forehead and the other two on each cheek.

Evidence surrounding the attack tends to show it grew out of charges which had been lodged against the school principal by the father of one of the girl pupils. The charges were dismissed in the Mesa justice court recently and an effort to file the same charges in another court failed.

J. M. Waller, father of the girl involved in the case, Phillip Waller and C. E. Waller, brothers of the girl were among those arraigned yesterday on the charge of aggravated assault. Others were J. A. Root, Toole Root, Herman Neal, E. P. Neal, Homer Neal and L. C. Stillwell. A. E. Root, Edward Neal and Herbert Neal will be arraigned on similar charges today.

Those arraigned yesterday entered pleas of not guilty and were held under \$500 bond each for a trial tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock.

According to the story which Mr. Jones told the county attorney he was called from his home about 9 o'clock Monday night on the pretext that an automobile had run into a ditch and injure a man. The man who brought this message conducted Jones to a car about 200 yards from his home. Here five other men appeared and with drawn revolvers ordered him to accompany them while they drove for several miles.

A son of Mr. Jones had followed when he saw his father ordered into the car at the point of revolvers hurried back to the home and advised the sheriff's office.

In relating his experiences on this trip Jones told of being taken to a lonely spot along the Consolidated canal where another group of masked and robed men joined his captors. He declared that the words "Ku Klux Klan" were shouted as he was removed from the car to receive the severe lashing. Two of the men held him against a tree while a third wielded a quirt. Blindfolding him the men then applied an acid to his cheeks and forehead, tracing out the three letters.

Although the letter "K" appeared prominently as a part of the indignities administered, neither the victim nor the county attorney credited (Continued on page 4.)

Miami Citizens Invite Us to Big Road Celebration

The ERA is in receipt of a communication from Nelson D. Brayton, Chairman of the committee in charge of the Miami-Superior Highway Opening Celebration, dated at Miami on March 26th, inviting Greenlee county to participate in the big celebration at Miami, on Saturday April 29th.

The completion of the Miami-Superior highway to Phoenix makes the running time by auto from Clifton to Phoenix ten hours over a splendid highway. This central route through Arizona has been designated by State Engineer Maddox as the official Federal Interstate Highway, linking Arizona with New Mexico on the east and California on the west. Starting from Lordsburg this route via Duncan, Clifton, Safford, Globe, Miami to Phoenix is ninety six miles shorter than the Bankhead route across the state via Rodeo Douglas, Bisbee and Tucson.

The genial Miami doctor words his invitation to road enthusiasts in Greenlee as follows:

"The Miami-Superior Highway Opening Celebration Committee desires, through the Columns of the COPPER ERA, to extend a cordial invitation to the readers of your paper and citizens of your community, to attend the OPENING CELEBRATION of the MIAMI-SUPERIOR HIGHWAY."

This celebration is to be held on Saturday, April 29th, 1922, at Miami and on the highway adjacent thereto. The purposes of this celebration are: First, to commemorate the opening of the highway by the dedication of the Highway Monument. Second, to express to the citizens of Arizona an appreciation for the construction of this highway.

In addition, the combined municipalities of Superior, Globe and Miami will be hosts to the delegates of the Bankhead National Highway Assn., and the United States Good Roads Association. The spirit of 'ood along with the intimate present is to prevail.

This committee trusts as many citizens from Clifton, Morenci, Metcalf and the district, led by Dr. L. A. W. Burch will be present as possible. We even want Pete Riley to come! We want him especially to come over to Miami at that time and just because we remember with great pleasure his installation of the Elks here one year ago today.

We want not only him but all the citizens of your district to get better acquainted with us and to know the social and economic importance of this road in linking Clifton district with the State Capitol and the Salt River Valley.

"TRAVEL TO PHOENIX VIA MIAMI IN TEN HOURS."

Very respectfully yours,
NELSON D. BRAYTON, M. D.
Chairman.

METCALF GIRL

Miss Dora Nardelli, of Metcalf, who is attending the C. C. College, in Los Angeles, has this week been awarded two high prizes in examinations held in the Secritorial course for the State of California. Miss Nardelli was awarded first prize at the college examinations in Los Angeles, and won second prize in a state contest held in San Francisco. Miss Nardelli is well known here. She is a sister of Mrs. H. D. Tanner.

STORE MANAGER HERE—

W. A. Meyer, whose headquarters office is in Bisbee as General Manager of the Phelps Dodge Mercantile Co., operating stores at Bisbee, Douglas, Naco, Lowell, Nacoziari, Tyrone and Dawson, was in Clifton this week on an official visit to L. J. Owen, manager of the Morenci store and C. B. Nonnamaker, manager of the Clifton store.

NEWSPAPERS CONSOLIDATE—

The Graham Guardian and the Gila Valley Farmer, both published at Safford, Graham county, have been consolidated. Recently the Guardian inaugurated a semi-weekly issue. Under the new arrangement the Guardian will be published on Tuesday and the Farmer on Friday under the management of W. M. Moore and C. W. Hams, former publishers of the Guardian only. The Guardian was established away back in 1905 by the late John J. Birdino and Wiley E. Jones and has done good work in aiding the growth and development of the Gila valley.

James I. Casey and Maurice Blumenthal from the office of Ellinwood and Ross Phelps Dodge attorneys, are here on legal business.

Democrats Will Put Up Formal Platform For Economy

A concerted movement is on foot, inaugurated by members of the Clifton Democratic Central Committee, in conjunction with members of the present town council, who will be candidates for re-election in the approaching Town election, having for its purpose the promulgation of a democratic platform, upon which democratic candidates will enter the primaries for the Clifton Town election.

For the purpose of drawing up a tentative platform and an outlined plan of Town administration, P. Riley, Chairman of the Democratic Central Committee, last week appointed H. D. Tanner, Mat Danenhauer and W. B. Kelly as a sub-committee for this purpose. The sub-committee has been working on the proposition the present week and as soon as completed it will be submitted to the prospective democratic candidates for their approval and support, when it will be published and presented to a mass meeting of Democrats for approval.

The sub-committee is endeavoring to work out a platform that will effect greater economy in operating the Town government under the present condition of industrial affairs. The committee believes that several thousand dollars can be saved by a re-arrangement of the duties of present Town officers, the consolidation of offices, and a material reduction in the estimated budget for next fiscal year as compared with the present budget ending June 30, 1922.

Through the courtesy of Harlow E. Brubaker, secretary of the Greenlee County Taxpayers Association, the Copper Era presents to its readers, a summary of the budget as estimated for the present fiscal year, and the actual amount expended for the first eight months of this period:

Town of Clifton

Information on the expenditures actually made in the first eight months of the fiscal year, and the amount provided in the budget:

| Salary of Police | Expended Allowance | First 8 months for 12 months |
|---|--------------------|------------------------------|
| Police Court: | | |
| Judge | \$ 100.00 | \$ 600.00 |
| Miscellaneous | | 100.00 |
| Town Clerk: | | |
| Salary | 1,000.00 | 1,500.00 |
| Town Engineer: | | |
| Salary | 1,500.00 | 2,100.00 |
| Help and Incidentals | 410.00 | 650.00 |
| Town Attorney: | | |
| Salary | 400.00 | 600.00 |
| Town Marshal: | | |
| Salary | 1,200.00 | 1,800.00 |
| Special Services | | 50.00 |
| Health Department: | | |
| Regular Salaries | 1,142.43 | 2,540.00 |
| Special Labor | 1,251.27 | 3,200.00 |
| Quarantine | | 500.00 |
| Miscellaneous | 192.18 | 1,000.00 |
| Fire Department: | | |
| Water Service | 1,000.00 | 1,500.00 |
| Repairs | 52.40 | 600.00 |
| New Equipment | | 4,000.00 |
| Miscellaneous | | 1,382.44 |
| Including salaries | | 2,700.00 |
| Street Department: | | |
| Maintenance Labor | 3,362.22 | 5,500.00 |
| Materials | 184.24 | 1,500.00 |
| Miscellaneous | 126.00 | 600.00 |
| Spreading Labor | 1,026.00 | 1,700.00 |
| Water | 339.30 | 800.00 |
| Miscellaneous | 1,378.13 | 2,000.00 |
| Lighting, Lights | 2,645.25 | 3,500.00 |
| Repairs | 118.44 | 150.00 |
| Jail Department: | | |
| Board & Misc. | | 110.00 |
| Motor Truck Department: | | |
| Oil and Gas | 761.15 | 1,900.00 |
| Misc. Repairs etc. | 983.98 | 2,200.00 |
| Town Hall: | | |
| Light, heat janitor, water, repairs, etc. | 552.40 | 1,000.00 |
| Incidental Supplies | 41.28 | 300.00 |
| Election: | | |
| Board Expense and Supplies | 8.31 | 250.00 |
| Printing: | | |
| Ordinances & Notices | 52.50 | 500.00 |
| Books & Stationery | 35.50 | 300.00 |
| General Miscellaneous | 250.20 | 2,300.00 |

Total outside of Bonds

Bond Interest and Redemption

It will be seen from the above summary of figures that for the past eight months the Town government has been operated at a cost of approximately \$3000.00 per month, which is 1,000.00 per month less than the estimated budget. One proposition under consideration for the next fiscal year contemplates a consolidation of the office of Town Engineer and the Town Clerk and Police Judge at a reduced salary and it is believed that an arrangement of this kind can be worked out satisfactorily at a net saving of \$2,400.00 per annum. It is proposed that the prospective democratic candidates will pledge themselves, prior to the primaries, to carry these economies into effect in the event of their nomination and election and it is believed that when the sub-committee complete their report, and submit a tentative plan for the operation of (Continued on Page Four)